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# Annual Reports

*of the*  
Town Officers  
*of*

## ROXBURY

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

*for the year ending*

JANUARY 31

1931

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SENTINEL PRINTING COMPANY  
KEENE, N. H.  
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ANNUAL REPORTS  
OF THE  
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OF  
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## TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator

EDWARD E. BAKER

Town Clerk

EMMETT E. HAZEN

Selectmen

CHARLES A. NYE LORENZO W. DAVIS

GEORGE C. ELLIS

Treasurer

EMMETT E. HAZEN

Tax Collector

CYRUS K. ELLIS

Road Agent

BURT S. ELLIS

Sexton

MADELLA N. HAZEN

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

CYRUS K. ELLIS CHARLES A. N. NYE

BURT S. ELLIS

Fence Viewers

CHARLES A. N. NYE LORENZO W. DAVIS

GEORGE C. ELLIS

Trustees of Trust Funds

NETTIE M. WALDO, Term expires 1931

MADELLA N. HAZEN, Term expires 1932

FLORENCE O. DAVIS, Term expires 1933

Auditor

MADELLA N. HAZEN

Supervisors of Check List

CYRUS K. ELLIS BURT S. ELLIS

Assessors

CHARLES A. N. NYE LORENZO W. DAVIS

GEORGE C. ELLIS



(TOWN WARRANT)  
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Roxbury in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said Roxbury on Tuesday, the 10th day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.
3. To hear reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To see if the town will vote to take snow money out of town charges for last year and raise money for snow this year.
5. To see if the town will vote for state aid.
6. To choose a trustee of trust funds for three years.
7. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one.

CHAS. A. N. NYE,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
GEORGE C. ELLIS,  
Selectmen of Roxbury.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

CHAS. A. N. NYE,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
GEORGE C. ELLIS,  
Selectmen of Roxbury.

## BUDGET OF TOWN OF ROXBURY

ACTUAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES OF THE  
PREVIOUS YEAR JANUARY 31, 1930 TO JAN. 31, 1931

### SOURCES OF REVENUE

From state:

|                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Railroad tax,              | \$12 08 |
| Savings bank tax,          | 2 45    |
| For fighting forest fires, | 10 20   |

For Highways:

|                                 |        |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| (a) For state aid snow removal, | 42 70  |
| (b) For trunk line maintenance, | 437 49 |
| Interest and dividend tax,      | 363 14 |
| Class "V" highway maintenance,  | 761 16 |

From local sources except taxes:

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Interest received on taxes and deposits, | 16 08 |
| 1930 Motor vehicle permits,              | 56 75 |
| 1931 Motor vehicle permits,              | 41 23 |

From poll taxes:

44 00

From town:

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| For state aid highway construction, | 445 90 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|

Revenue applicable only to new construction and improvements:

From state:

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| (a) For state aid highway construction, | 668 11 |
|---|--------|

Total revenues from all sources except property taxes,

\$1,787 22

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Amount raised by property taxes, | \$3,005 84 |
|----------------------------------|------------|

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| Total revenues, | \$4,793 06 |
|-----------------|------------|

#### PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

Current maintenance expenses, general government:

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Town officers' salaries,         | \$309 20 |
| Town officers' expenses,         | 94 28    |
| Care and supplies for town hall, | 28 49    |

Protection of persons and property:

|                     |        |
|---------------------|--------|
| Fire department,    | 46 00  |
| Moth extermination, | 200 00 |

Highways and bridges:

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Town maintenance, | 1,375 86 |
|-------------------|----------|

Payments to other governmental divisions:

|                               |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| State taxes,                  | 312 00   |
| County taxes,                 | 268 49   |
| Payments to school districts, | 1,215 11 |

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Total expenditures, | \$3,849 43 |
|---------------------|------------|

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

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We, the undersigned, Selectmen of Roxbury, State of New Hampshire, respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1931.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| 19 horses,  | \$1,425 00   |
| 20 cows,  | 1,685 00     |
| 7 neat stock,   | 400 00       |
| 14 sheep,   | 50 00        |
| Fowls,  | 328 00       |
| Lumber,   | 700 00       |
|   | <hr/>        |
|   | \$4,588 00   |
| Value of unimproved and improved land<br>and buildings, | \$138,547 00 |
|   | <hr/>        |
| Total valuation,  | \$143,135 00 |
|   | <hr/>        |
| APPROPRIATIONS AND MONEY RAISED BY TAXATION             |              |
| State tax,  | \$312 00     |
| County tax,   | 210 35       |
| Town tax,   | 400 00       |
| Highway and bridges,                                    | 800 00       |
| State aid con.  | 234 00       |
| State aid main.,  | 300 00       |
| Schools,  | 1,156 00     |
| White pine blister rust,                                | 200 00       |
| 21 scholars,  | 42 00        |
| Overlay,  | 39 46        |
|   | <hr/>        |
|   | \$3,693 81   |

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Estimated revenue, | 687 97     |
|                    | -----      |
| 29 polls,          | \$3,005 84 |
|                    | 58 00      |

Amount committed to tax collector, \$3,063 84

\$58.14 was over paid on county tax last year. Which has been deducted.

Rate \$2.10

#### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Emmett E. Hazen, town clerk,              | \$30 00 |
| Charles A. N. Nye, 1st selectman,         | 50 00   |
| Lorenzo W. Davis, 2nd selectman,          | 30 00   |
| George C. Ellis, 3rd selectman,           | 25 00   |
| Emmett E. Hazen, town treasurer,          | 30 00   |
| Cyrus K. Ellis, tax collector,            | 50 00   |
| Burt S. Ellis, road agent,                | 20 00   |
| Charles A. N. Nye, overseer of poor,      | 2 00    |
| Cyrus K. Ellis, supervisor,               | 6 00    |
| Burt S. Ellis, supervisor,                | 3 00    |
| Perley W. Ellis, ballot inspector,        | 2 00    |
| Franklin Pollard, ballot inspector,       | 2 00    |
| Charles A. N. Nye, assessor,              | 10 00   |
| Lorenzo W. Davis, assessor,               | 10 00   |
| George C. Ellis, assessor,                | 10 00   |
| Charles A. N. Nye, attending tax meeting, | 4 00    |
| George C. Ellis, attending tax meeting,   | 4 00    |
| Madella Hazen, auditor,                   | 8 00    |
| Clifton Chamberlain, constable,           | 2 00    |
| Chester B. Jordan, retainer fee,          | 10 00   |
| Emmett E. Hazen, making out dog taxes,    | 10 00   |

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Sentinel Printing Company, reports,      | \$37 89 |
| Spalters Book Store, supplies,           | 7 75    |
| Mason Insurance, bonds,                  | 19 50   |
| G. H. Aldrich & Sons, bonds,             | 15 00   |
| Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies,          | 2 69    |
| Chas. A. N. Nye, supplies and stamps,    | 5 00    |
| Emmett E. Hazen, expenses, stamps, etc., | 6 45    |

## TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Which was settled by the Highway Commissioner. 30 cents on a \$100.00 of the previous year's valuation of the town.

|                           |          |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Town paid out,            | \$446 11 |
| Town hall expenses,       | \$28 49  |
| Fire department,          | 46 00    |
| Trunk line snow removal,  | 148 63   |
| White pine blister rust,  | 20 00    |
| Town clerk, auto permits, | 8 00     |

CHARLES A. N. NYE,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
GEORGE C. ELLIS,

Selectmen.

## OVERSEER OF POOR

There has been no application for aid to the Overseer of Poor for the year ending Jan. 31, 1931.

CHARLES A. N. NYE,  
Overseer of Poor.

**REPORT OF HIGHWAYS**

For Year Ending Jan. 31, 1931

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|   |        |
|---|--------|
| B. S. Ellis, 81 loads gravel,               | \$8 10 |
| B. S. Ellis, labor and team,                | 519 65 |
| Freeman A. Ellis, labor,                    | 232 00 |
| Robert Rixford, labor,                      | 16 65  |
| Edwin B. Ellis, labor,                      | 13 00  |
| James Melvin, bridge plank,                 | 104 22 |
| Herbert Russell, labor,                     | 3 50   |
| Earl Russell, labor,                        | 26 00  |
| Mrs. Waldo, gravel,                         | 6 15   |
| E. E. Baker, truck and labor,               | 157 20 |
| 1 culvert,                                  | 18 40  |
| Knowlton & Stone, spikes and bolts,         | 8 97   |
| C. H. Kinsman, repair work,                 | 14 60  |
| George E. Newman, team,                     | 40 50  |
| Earnest Peaslee, labor,                     | 17 40  |
| Perley W. Ellis, labor,                     | 34 80  |
| W. A. White, labor,                         | 7 20   |
| Perley Blackmore, labor,                    | 3 60   |
| George Tellier, labor,                      | 3 50   |
| W. L. Story, sharpening tools,              | 3 25   |
| Raymond Nye, labor,                         | 6 50   |
| Frank Ward, gravel,                         | 6 45   |
| C. K. Ellis, labor,                         | 17 15  |
| Fred Hunt, truck and labor,                 | 29 75  |
| Grant Mason, gravel,                        | 2 40   |
| Ralph Glazier, labor,                       | 3 60   |
| ½ cost painting line bridge, City of Keene, | 21 05  |

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Charles Beauregard, invoice Dec. 8, plank and scraper<br>blade, | 26 77      |
| Fred Davis, storage of scraper,                                 | 10 00      |
| Boston & Maine R. R. crossing signs,                            | 5 00       |
| Town of Marlboro, snow removal,                                 | 8 50       |
| <hr/>   |            |
| Total,  | \$1,375 86 |
| Kingsbury road,   | 135 07     |
| Branch road,  | 280 25     |
| Middletoyn road,  | 226 85     |
| Davis road,   | 157 95     |
| Town of Marlboro,   | 8 50       |
| Hazen road,   | 6 35       |
| Dacon road,   | 25 40      |
| Davis road,   | 55 05      |
| Parker road,  | 19 80      |
| Dellingham road,  | 154 20     |
| C. K. Ellis road,   | 4 50       |
| Nelson road,  | 11 70      |
| Miscellaneous,  | 290 24     |
| <hr/>   |            |
| Total,  | \$1,375 86 |

BURT S. ELLIS,  
Road Agent.

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### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Received for dog licenses,                | \$21 00  |
| Received for motor vehicles 1930 permits, | 56 75    |
| Received for motor vehicles 1931 permits, | 41 23    |
| <hr/>                                     |          |
|   | \$118 98 |
| Paid to town treasurer,                   | \$118 98 |

EMMETT E. HAZEN,  
Town Clerk.

**TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT**

January 31, 1931

**RECEIPTS****From local taxes:**

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Property taxes, current year,          | \$2,798 48 |
| Poll taxes,                            | 44 00      |
| Property and poll taxes previous year, | 269 42     |

**From the state:**

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Class "V" highways,        | 761 10 |
| Trunk line snow removal,   | 42 70  |
| Trunk line maintenance,    | 437 49 |
| Interest and dividend tax, | 363 14 |
| Railroad tax,              | 12 08  |
| Savings bank tax,          | 2 45   |
| State forestry department, | 13 00  |

**From local sources except taxes:**

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| County commissioners, highway maintenance,  | 100 00         |
| Permits for registration of motor vehicles, | 97 98          |
| Interest collected on taxes,                | 16 08          |
| Dog licenses,                               | 21 00          |
| <br>Total receipts from all sources,        | <br>\$4,978 92 |
| Cash in treasury Feb. 1st, 1930,            | 2,497 55       |
| <br>Total,                                  | <br>\$7,476 47 |

**EXPENDITURES**

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Paid orders 553 to 642 inclusive,        | \$4,831 53 |
| Balance in treasury, January 31st, 1931, | 2,644 94   |
|  | \$7,476 47 |

## ASSETS

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Due from collector, unpaid taxes for 1930: |          |
| Merrill Mason,                             | \$29 40  |
| Lorenzo W. Davis,                          | 56 75    |
| Burt S. Ellis,                             | 11 11    |
| Leo Paul,                                  | 13 10    |
| Ernest Peaslee,                            | 21 63    |
| Flora Peaslee,                             | 2 00     |
| Rupert Abbot,                              | 2 62     |
| Keene Screen & Ladder Co.,                 | 14 70    |
| Abbie M. Newman,                           | 19 95    |
| P. G. Putney and Mosher estate,            | 31 50    |
| T. Clayton White,                          | 12 60    |
| Elmer C. Nye,                              | 2 00     |
| Margarett Godwin,                          | 2 00     |
| Anna Godwin,                               | 2 00     |
|  | -----    |
|  | \$221 36 |
| Unpaid taxes for 1929,                     | 18 03    |
|  | -----    |
| Total amount due,                          | \$239 39 |

Respectfully submitted,

EMMETT E. HAZEN,

Town treasurer.

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## SEXTON'S REPORT

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### HILLSIDE CEMETERY

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Lorenzo W. Davis, 6½ hrs. work @ 40c per hour, | \$2 60  |
| Joseph Cota, 6½ hrs. work @ 40c per hour,      | 2 60    |
| Earl J. Russell, 6½ hrs. work @ 40c per hour,  | 2 60    |
| George L. Davis, 5 hrs, work @ 25c per hour,   | 1 25    |
| Walter M. Davis, 5 hrs. work @ 25c per hour,   | 1 25    |
|  | -----   |
|  | \$10 30 |

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
Sexton.

## REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ROXBURY

For Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1931

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January 31, 1931.

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
NELLIE M. WALDO,  
FLORENCE O. DAVIS,

Trustees.

Audited March, 1931.

• For Trust Fund Table see next page

### AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that the books and accounts of the town treasurer and town clerk have been carefully balanced, verified and found correct.

The tax collector's book verified with the treasurer's and selectmen's books.

The selectmen's accounts, receipts and orders verified and balanced with treasurer's books.

The road agent's accounts balanced with the selectmen's and treasurer's books.

The cemetery trust funds trustees' accounts examined by the town's counsel, Chester B. Jordan, also the sexton's account which shows where and how the income was expended.

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
Auditor for Town of Roxbury.

# REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF ROXBURY

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1931

| Date of Creation | Trust Funds                     | Purpose of Creation  | How Invested | Amount of Principal | Rate of Per Cent Interest | Balance on hand at beginning of Year | Income During Year | Expenditures During Year | Balance of Trust Fund at end of year |
|------------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                  |                                 |  |              |                     |                           |                                      |                    |                          |                                      |
| 1892             | Ruel H. Kingsbury Cemetery Fund | Keene Savings Bank Book No. 836  | \$100        | 4 1/2 %             | \$109.22                  | \$9.51                               | \$4.00             | \$2.00                   | \$112.73                             |
| June 4, 1909     | George G. Davis Cemetery Fund   | G. A. R. Flags for Sol. Graves Cheshire County Savings Bank, Book No. 5585 | 100          | 4 1/2 %             | 86.76                     | 8.47                                 | 4.00               |                          | 91.23                                |
| Apr. 11, 1921    | Ellen A. Davis Cemetery Fund    | Cheshire County Savings Bank Book, No. 13980                               | 100          | 4 1/2 %             | 21.39                     | 5.51                                 | 2.30               |                          | 24.60                                |

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1929, and Ending  
June 30, 1930

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**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws 1926, Chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

F. T. JOHNSON,  
Superintendent.

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
FLORENCE O. DAVIS,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
School Board.

July 1, 1930.

**RECEIPTS**

## State and federal aid:

(a) Equalization fund for elementary schools  
(from state), \$772 88

Income from local taxation (raised  
by Selectmen):

(a) For the support of elementary schools, \$773 12  
(c) For the payment of high school and  
academy tuition, 85 00  
(d) For the salaries of district officers, 30 00  
(g) For the payment of per capita tax, 28 00

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| (h) Superintendent's excess salary,<br>Administration, | 35 71      |
|  | 15 00      |
| <hr/>  | <hr/>      |
| Total,   | \$966 83   |
| From sources other than taxation:                      |            |
| (b) Elementary school tuitions,                        | 331 00     |
| <hr/>  | <hr/>      |
| Total receipts from all sources,                       | \$2,070 71 |
| Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1929,       | 218 56     |
| <hr/>  | <hr/>      |
| Grand total,   | \$2,289 27 |

## PAYMENTS

|                                       | Total Amount | General Expenses | Support of High School | Support of Ele. School |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Administration:                       |              |                  |                        |                        |
| 1. Salaries of district officers,     | \$30 00      |                  | \$30 00                |                        |
| 2. Superintendent's excess salary,    | 35 73        |                  | 35 73                  |                        |
| 3. Truant officers and school census, | 63           |                  | 63                     |                        |
| 4. Expenses of administration,        | 7 55         |                  | 7 55                   |                        |

## Instruction:

|   |        |        |
|---|--------|--------|
| 5. Principals' and teachers' salaries,— | 900 00 | 900 00 |
| 6. Text books,                          | 20 29  | 20 29  |
| 7. Scholars' supplies,                  | 19 71  | 19 71  |
| 8. Flags and appurtenances,             | 4 52   | 4 52   |

|  | Total<br>Amount | General<br>Expenses | Support of<br>High School | Support of<br>Ele. School |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Operation and maintenance of school plant:           |                 |                     |                           |                           |
| 10. Janitor service,                                 | 52 00           |                     |                           | 52 00                     |
| 11. Fuel,  | 43 50           |                     |                           | 43 50                     |
| 12. Water, light, janitor's supplies,                | 5 65            |                     |                           | 5 65                      |
| 13. Minor repairs and expenses,                      | 33 60           |                     |                           | 33 60                     |
| Auxiliary agencies and special activities:           |                 |                     |                           |                           |
| 14. Medical inspection,                              | 9 00            |                     |                           | 9 00                      |
| 15. Transportation of pupils,                        | 486 00          |                     |                           | 486 00                    |
| 16. High school and academy tuition,                 | 193 66          |                     | 193 66                    |                           |
| 17. Elementary school tuition,                       | 108 00          |                     |                           | 108 00                    |
| Fixed charges:                                       |                 |                     |                           |                           |
| 19. Tax for state wide supervision (\$2 per capita), | 28 00           | 28 00               |                           |                           |
| 20. Insurance and other fixed charges,               | 20 00           | 20 39               |                           |                           |
| Outlay for construction and equipment:               |                 |                     |                           |                           |
| 23. New equipment,                                   | 18 39           |                     |                           |                           |
| Total payments for all purposes, \$2,016 23          |                 | \$140 30            | \$193 66                  | \$1,682 27                |

Total cash on hand  
 at end of year  
 (June 30,  
 1930),            273 04

Grand total,            \$2,289 27

BALANCE SHEET  
 ASSETS JUNE 30, 1930

Cash on hand:  
 Balance June 30 1930,            \$273 04

Total assets,            \$273 04

LIABILITIES JUNE 30, 1930

Excess of assets over liabilities,            \$273 04

Grand total,            \$273 04

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from All State  
 Aided Districts)

This is to certify that I have examined the books and  
 other financial records of the school board of Roxbury, of  
 which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June  
 30, 1930, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDWARD E. BAKER,

Auditor.

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES AND RECOMMENDATIONS  
 FOR 1930-1931

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| For support of elementary school, amount of a<br>\$5.00 tax on each \$1,000 of equalized valuation, | \$784 97 |
| Per capita tax,   | 34 00    |
| For high school tuition,  | 267 00   |
| For salaries of district officers,  | 50 00    |

Superintendent's excess salary and other expenses  
of administration. 35 73

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
FLORENCE O. DAVIS,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
School Board.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1930

### SUMMARY

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Cash on hand June 30, 1929,                                  | \$218 56   |
| Received from Selectmen, appropriations for<br>current year, | 966 83     |
| Received from state treasurer (state aid),                   | 772 88     |
| Received from all other sources,                             | 331 00     |
| <hr/>  |            |
| Total amount available for fiscal year,                      | \$2,289 27 |
| Less school board orders paid,                               | 2,016 23   |
| <hr/>  |            |
| Balance on hand as of June 30, 1930,                         | \$273 04   |

E. E. HAZEN

District Treasurer.

### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all State  
Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Roxbury, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930, and find them correct in all respects.

EDWARD E. BAKER,  
Auditor.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Board and Citizens of Roxbury:

I herein submit my eighth annual report as superintendent of schools.

Herbert Spencer told us many years ago that "To prepare for complete living is the function which education has to discharge; and the only rational mode of judging of any educational course is to judge in what degree it discharges such functions."

Today this definition implies not only a knowledge of the "Three R's," a reasonable accuracy in the fundamentals, a workable habit in the mechanics and skills of knowledge, but also an adjustment to conditions which prevailing isms and a machine age have brought upon us.

The propaganda in the form of various isms which are attacking our institutions can be successfully met only through education.

The rising generation must have its intellectual activity aroused and strengthened through the habits of cogent reasoning. They must be taught to think. Teachers must not be content with the when, where and what, but more emphasis and attention must be placed on the why. That is, factual questions alone will not accomplish our ends but we must rely more on reasoning projects rightly directed. The walking encyclopedia of facts is not the educated man of today. For often the facts of the Past become the untruths of the Present, especially in science.

Again, the need for training for leisure has been forced upon us during the last year more strongly than ever before. The unemployment situation is provocative of our most serious

consideration. Labor, today, is calling for the eight-hour day and the five-day week and machines are doing the work formerly done by human brain and muscle.

What will the rising generation do with their leisure time? How can we train the young so that they can utilize their leisure in beneficial rather than in detrimental ways? How can our pupils be taught to be appreciative and to gain enjoyment from reflection, meditation and thought instead of eternally seeking nervous excitation, so called thrills? How can we cultivate in our leisure time an appreciation of the culture which we have inherited from former ages and is available for all of us in literature, in art, in music, in architecture and in the beauty and mystery of nature?

These are questions which challenge our best intelligence, efforts and thought.

#### PROMOTIONS

The following numbers of promotions per grade were made in June:

| Grades | I | II | III | VI | V | VI | VII | VIII |
|--------|---|----|-----|----|---|----|-----|------|
|        | 3 | 0  | 1   | 3  | 1 | 3  | 0   | 1    |

These promotions were made on the five point basis, viz.: regularity of attendance, term rank, standard tests, judgment of teacher, and judgment of superintendent.

The Stanford Achievement Tests were given. Test V was given at mid-year and test W was given in June. In both tests, the pupils maintained creditable standing in their respective grades. Also the Otis Standard Graduation examination for elementary schools was given to the Eighth Grade Gladys Russell completed the Eighth Grade in June and this year is continuing her studies in the Keene High School.

Miss Irene Stevens of Keene taught the entire year ending June 30, 1930. Miss Stevens continues her service in this the present year. We believe this continued service of an ex-

perienced teacher tends to the stability and welfare of the school.

Judging from the impressions received on frequent visits of inspection and from results obtained with standard tests, I feel safe in saying that Miss Stevens has maintained her usual reputation for efficiency in teaching and results in drill work. A marked improvement has been made in reading during the past year.

The results in all tests showed a normal year's growth in mental attainment, the classes well graded, and pupils in right grades.

#### NEW STATE COURSE OF STUDY

The new state course of study was placed in the school last September.

This course is an improvement on the old course, more extensive, more teachable and will give a more unified and standardized course throughout the state.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the school board, teacher, parents and citizens for their co-operation and support.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Marlborough, N. H., Feb. 20, 1931.

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#### HONOR ROLL

Pupils neither absent nor tardy.

#### FIRST PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

Doris Cota

Gladys Russell

June MacKensie

Charles Russell

Earl Russell

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#### FOURTH PERIOD OF NINE WEEKS

Gladys Russell

Earl Russell

GENERAL STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING  
JUNE 30, 1930

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Length of school year in weeks,                   | 37    |
| Total enrollment,                                 | 21    |
| Average membership,                               | 15.25 |
| Average attendance,                               | 14.61 |
| Percent of attendance,                            | 95.80 |
| Percent of attendance, for district,              | 95.62 |
| Percent of attendance, for state,                 | 95.50 |
| Number of tardinesses,                            | 5     |
| Number of non-resident pupils,                    | 10    |
| Number of pupils attending school in other towns, | 3     |
| Number of pupils attending Keene High School,     | 3     |
| Number of visits by citizens,                     | 10    |
| Number of visits by members of school board,      | 3     |
| Number of visits by superintendent,               | 17    |

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the school district of the town of Roxbury qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the tenth day of March, 1931, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, of Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Roxbury this 22nd day of February, 1931.

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
FLORENCE O. DAVIS,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MADELLA NIMS HAZEN,  
FLORENCE O. DAVIS,  
LORENZO W. DAVIS,  
School Board.

## VITAL STATISTICS

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To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Roxbury, N. H., for the year ending Dec. 31, 1930.

Born October 15th, 1930, Jessie Alice Chamberlain, female, living, 4th, father, Clifton L. Chamberlain, mother, Alice Esther Bordeau, occupation of father, farmer, birthplace of father, Baldwinsville, Mass., birthplace of mother, Fitzwilliam, N. H., age of father, 34, age of mother, 28.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Roxbury for the year ending Dec. 31, 1930.

None.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Roxbury for the year ending Dec. 31, 1930.

None.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of marriages, births and deaths is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EMMETT E. HAZEN,  
Town Clerk.















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